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FOR THE SECRETARY

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (HENRY A. KISSINGER)

SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S VISIT TO WESTERN EUROPE

1. DAVID MCGOVERN, PRESIDENT, AMERICAN CLUB OF PARIS, JUST CALLED ME TO ASK IF YOU WOULD ADDRESS CLUB AT LUNCHEON MEETING DURING YOUR VISIT HERE EARLY JULY. I TOLD HIM I WOULD PASS ON REQUEST.

2. AMERICAN CLUB OF PARIS COMPOSED PREDOMINANTLY OF AMERICAN BUSINESSMEN, BANKERS AND LAWYERS WHO ARE PILLARS PARIS AMERICAN COMMUNITY AND HAVE INFLUENTIAL U.S. CONNECTIONS. SHOULD YOU BE PREPARED ACCEPT, I KNOW IT WOULD BE MUCH APPRECIATED AND YOU WOULD HAVE ENTHUSIASTIC AUDIENCE OF 150-200. THIS IS LARGEST FORUM FOR AMERICAN COMMUNITY. LUNCH WOULD COMMENCE AT 1245 AND YOU WOULD BE EXPECTED TALK FOR 20-30 MINUTES AND, IF AGREEABLE, ANSWER QUESTIONS. LUNCHEON WOULD CONCLUDE BY 1430. ALTERNATIVELY, IF YOU PREFER, CLUB WOULD BE DELIGHTED HOLD COCKTAIL HOUR RECEPTION AT WHICH YOU COULD MAKE MORE LIMITED REMARKS. THERE ARE AMERICAN PRESS MEMBERS AND YOU SHOULD EXPECT YOUR REMARKS TO BE REPORTED, UNLESS YOU WANT TO MAKE IT OFF THE RECORD.

3. ANGLO-AMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATION OF PARIS, REP-
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RESENTING ALL MAJOR U.S. AND BRITISH MEDIA, HAS ALSO

EXTENDED YOU AN INVITATION TO SPEAK AT LUNCH. THEY
WOULD INVITE FRENCH PRESS GUESTS, AS IS THEIR CUSTOM,
AND AUDIENCE WOULD NUMBER ABOUT 100. EVENT WOULD BEGIN
AT 1245 AND END AT 1500.

4. JULY 5 APPEARS ONLY POSSIBLE DATE. WOULD APPRECI-
ATE INDICATION WHETHER YOU WILLING ACCEPT EITHER
INVITATION AND, IF SO, WHICH.
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